GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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DETECTION OF TRACK FRACTURES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the South Central Railway has unable to detect track fractures in time;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore;

(c) whether the Government propose to hire private firms to detect and repair track fractures in the South Central Railway; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) No, sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir However, in the tenders invited for procurement of two Self Propelled Ultrasonic Rail Testing (SPURT) cars, option of only service as against supply has also been kept, in which case detection of flaws and fractures may be carried out by the private firm. Repair of rail failures will however continue to be with the Railways.

(d) Does not arise.